

## HIV/AIDS Profile: Sri Lanka

### Demographic Indicators

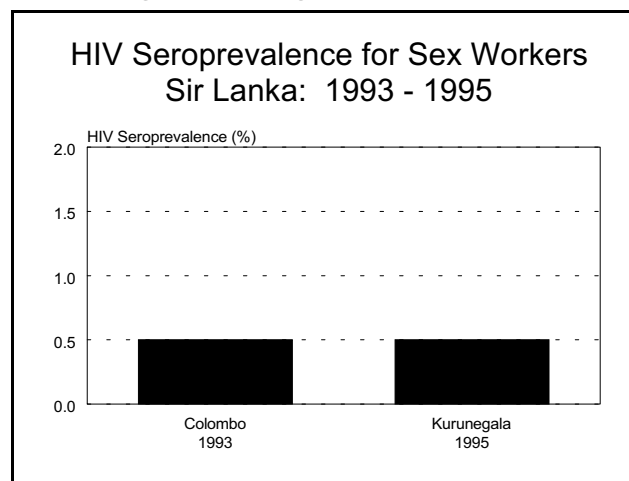
Population (1,000s)	19,239	Growth Rate (%)	0.9
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000)		Life Expectancy	
Both Sexes	17	Both Sexes	72
Male	18	Male	69
Female	15	Female	74
Crude Birth Rate (per 1,000)	17	Crude Death Rate (per 1,000)	6
Percent Urban	22	Total Fertility Rate	2.0
<b>Note:</b> Above indicators are for 2000.			
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Estimated % of adults living with HIV/AIDS, end 1999		0.1 %	
Cumulative AIDS rate (per 1,000) as of 9/16/98		0.00	
Cumulative AIDS cases as of 9/16/98		87	
Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Reference Bureau, UNAIDS, World Health Organization.			

### Epidemiological Data

Epidemic State: Low

Against a backdrop of continued civil war, HIV seroprevalence has managed to remain very low among high risk groups in Sri Lanka during the 1990s. Indeed, throughout much of the country, there was no evidence of infection among these groups. No evidence of infection was found among low risk groups either.

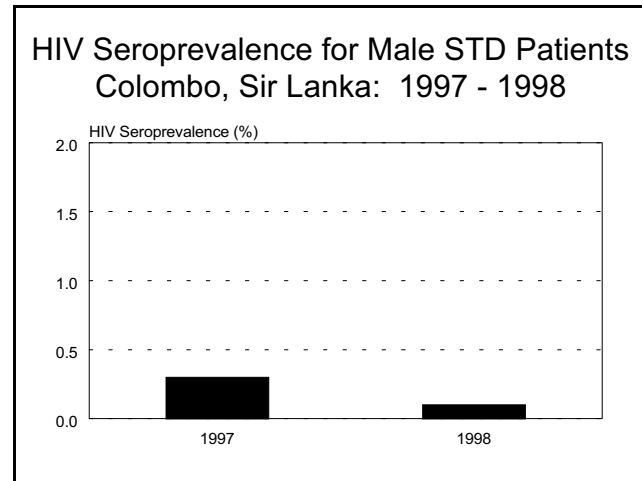
- Sentinel surveillance data on sex workers in two cities of Sri Lanka, the capital, Colombo, and Kurunegala, indicated low seroprevalence among this group. During 1993-95, less than 1 percent of sex workers tested positive for HIV in both cities. No evidence of infection was found in Colombo during 1994-98. In addition, during 1997-98, no evidence of infection was found elsewhere in the country.



Source: International Programs Center, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Data Base, June 2000.

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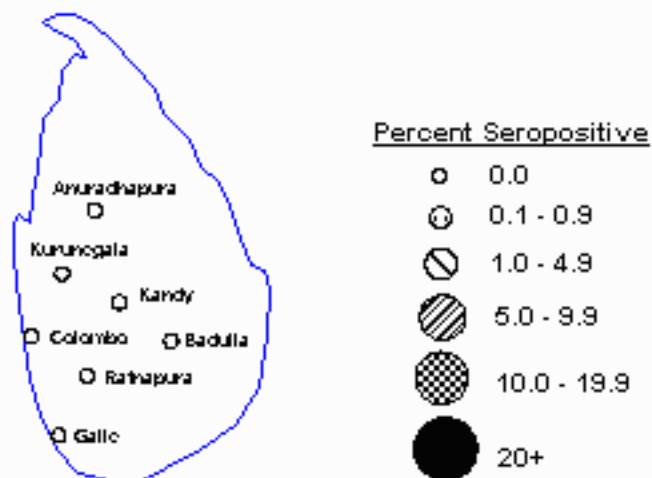
- Among male STD patients, HIV prevalence remained well below 1 percent during 1997-98. During 1994-98, no evidence of infection was found in Anuradhapura, Galle, Kandy, Kurunegala, and Ratnapura.



No evidence of infection was found between 1990 and 1997 among pregnant women and blood donors tested in Sri Lanka.

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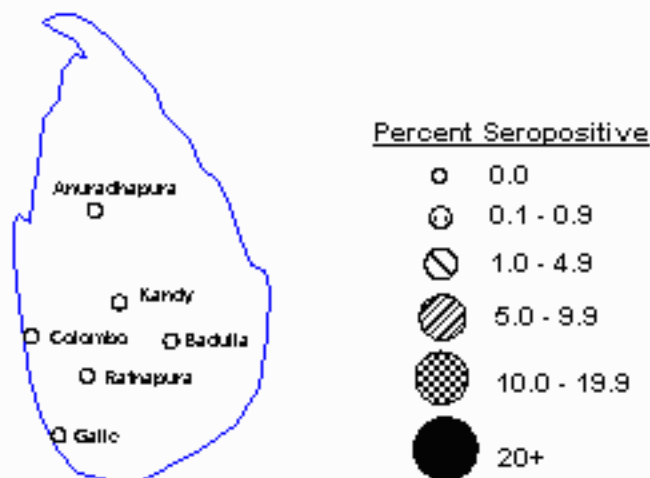
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